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Let's Talk!

Do you want to become more involved in your community? Join the Shively Residents Roundtable. This group will meet to discuss ideas and organize events for the Shively area. For additional information please contact Council Member Beverly Chester-Burton at 291-6811 or send an email to: shivelycouncil@gmail.com



All residents, homeowners and renters are invited to attend and get to know their neighbors for a safer Shively. Coffee and treats will be served. Every 3rd Saturday quarterly, 10 am, Ralph Avenue Baptist Church. This event is not sponsored by the City of Shively.

Message from the desk of the Mayor,

I am pleased to say, as a city we are very financially sound. No one can do this job alone and I have a lot of help.

I would like to correct some information regarding parking. Parking has been an issue for as long as I can remember and I started on the council in 1994. I was always told that you could only park cars on streets that had curbs. After much discussion and investigation it has been decided that you cannot park on **any** streets. I apologize to anyone that I may have given incorrect information to. I live on one of the few streets that have curbs so I will have to make changes. You will notice more "no parking" signs on every street now.

The long awaited Sidewalk project should begin soon in this year.

We continue with the "re-tree" Shively program for the City. You should be able to notice many new trees throughout the city.

The Hampstead drainage project is complete now. This should help the households that previously had water issues before.

As in the past we will plan another large drainage project for 2017 as well.

Your Fire Department made 1070 runs in 2016. That is up 130 runs. 500 of the runs were medical related. Other runs includes fires, accidents, rescues and other hazardous conditions. The Fire department has welcomed new firefighters in the Spring.

The Works Department has become more efficient with the new automated trucks. They have gone from 24 routes to 5 routes with your help. And yes, the changing of the pickup days drives me just as crazy as you; but we are really becoming more effective.

The large item pick up is doing very well and most residents seem happy with it.

City Hall continues to become more proficient. This year we will offer our newsletter via email. More information will follow when we are ready to begin accepting email information. We hope this will be more attractive to some of our residents.

The Police Department has grown to 31 officers. Additional cameras have been installed. Our special units continue to solve crimes as fast as possible. Remember most crimes are really not solved in 40 minutes as portrayed on television. Chief Kevin Higdon will have a full complete report later in meeting.

Our Code Enforcement officers work hard every day to check on calls and issues that you may have. The Code Enforcement Board members ensure that property owners comply with the rules and regulations. We had 1991 cases in 2016; property owners received warnings or citations, whichever is necessary at the time. 1878 of these cases have been resolved. That equates to 94%. The efforts and dedication of the officers and board members are boundless. We all owe them a deep debt of gratitude for their efforts.

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We have all waited patiently for a replacement for Dillard's Department store but I think we would all agree that a large retail store is not going to happen but the mall has grown and almost every area is occupied and the improvements are much appreciated. It is well maintained and many folks now work there. There is an Altitude Trampoline Park that should be complete in the near future. It should be a nice addition for kids.

The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be Saturday April 1st. The Halloween Trunk or Trick Event will be Saturday October 21st and Light Up Shively will be held on Tuesday November 28th this year.

I want to welcome our new council members, Tiffany Burton, Shanel Thompson, and Wendell Vincent. I look forward to working with all of you. Congratulations to the returning council members, Chester Burrell, Beverly Chester-Burton, and Maria Johnson. We say good bye and wish well to the previous council members Rita Augenstein, Delbert Vance and Ronnie Wathen.

We also said a sad goodbye to a long time Shively citizen, Patsy Mayes. Patsy has been part of Shively for as long as I can remember, both with parks, schools, children, and of course, her time on the City Council. A huge thank you to Patsy and to her family for sharing her with us all of these years. Our condolences to her family.

Again, I must thank the leadership of our departments for their diligence and efforts to do what is best for your City. City Clerk, Mitzi Kasitz, Police Chief, Kevin Higdon, Fire Chief, Greg Cameron, and Works Department Director, John Haywood.

I am going to do something now that I have never done in the past and that is to be just a little political in this message. It is funny because I am probably the least political politician you will ever meet. But I just don't think I can sit and not say something. I was proudly elected by the citizens of Shively. When someone contacts me for assistance I don't ask or worry about whether they voted for me because it doesn't matter to me. **When you are elected.....you are elected to represent all of your citizens not just a select few.** Something all elected officials should remember.

So my message is to all of our leaders, newly elected or otherwise from the very highest to the smallest office.....please stop acting like children and get to work on the real issues that affect all of us and the ones you promised during your campaign. Enough is enough of who said what and your childish behavior. You were elected for **all of America** so please stop with the irresponsible behavior and get to work.

Sherry S. Conner, Mayor



AARP SMART DRIVER COURSE

2017 Dates – Fridays: March 17, May 19, July 14 and November 10 - 9:45 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Shively Community Building, 1901 Park Road. Maryland Davis, Instructor, can be contacted to sign up for the course, 775-6184. The course is \$15.00 for AARP members, \$20.00 for non-member. As a perk for being a Shively resident, if you show you driver's license with a valid Shively address, there will be no cost to you. The class can only accommodate 25, call today reserve your seat.

ATTENTION TAXPAYERS

Delinquent taxpayers are a serious problem and we are getting serious on collection. Call our office today at 502-449-5000 and make sure you do not owe taxes before liens are placed. Shively is pleased to be able to run the city efficiently without change in services for which we have all become accustomed to. City Hall is open M-F from 8:00-4:30. If you owe taxes, payments can be made over the phone with a credit card to make it more convenient. You can also pay by mail or in person and you can also email Becky Roberson, Tax Collector for the amount due at becky.roberson@shivelyky.gov (include your address in the subject line).

Becky Roberson, Tax Collector

11TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DECORATING CONTEST WINNER

Congratulations to Shannon Green, at 2125 East Lane. His home looked absolutely amazing! Thank you for making Shively look beautiful for the holiday season. And, thank you to all of our entrants. We appreciate your participation and look forward to touring the neighborhood over the holiday season to take a look at your holiday decor.

Again, congratulations to our winner. We hope to have even more participation for next year's contest! Thank you to all of our residents that have decorated their homes and have helped us all get in the holiday spirit!



SHIVELY DANCE TEAM PARTICIPANT FEATURED AT 2017 KEEPERS OF THE DREAM

Founded in 2013 by City Councilwoman Maria Johnson, the Shively Youth Program Dance Team has been shaking it up for the last three years by performing on the main stage at the Kentucky Center for the Performing Arts as part of the ArtsReach program. Known as Team Perfection, the participants have performed hip hop moves to popular tunes by Beyoncé and other artists at Keepers of the Dream, the annual celebration of the life and works of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Each year at Keepers of the Dream, a featured artist is selected. This year Long Pham received that honor and drew a portrait of Shively resident and Team Perfection dancer, Tai'Nesha Hines. Hines is currently serving our country in the US Navy and is at boot camp. "I am very proud of her" said Rochelle Walker, Tai'Nesha's mom. "I want to thank the City of Shively and councilwoman Maria Johnson for her vision and dedication. Ms. Johnson attended every practice and encouraged the team to do their very best." Councilwoman Johnson was also surprised when she received the email from Julia Youngblood, Director of ArtsReach. "I was elated to learn one of our dancers was going to be featured by Pham. All of the hard work of the team really paid off. I am honored to service the Shively community for a fourth term and look forward to keeping our community great and safe. I want the residents to know the Shively Youth Program has offered African drumming and rattle making, creative writing, drama, karate, and visual arts in addition to dance and I hope to offer some of these programs again in the future. I am pleased to work with great council members and I appreciate the support I have received from Mayor Conner."

Long Pham is a free lance concept artist who has been working for video and film since 2010 in both preproduction and production.

The vision of the Shively Youth Program is to let the youth in the community know they matter and to provide a space where they are welcomed, respected and accepted. To offer another hand of support, to uplift the youth and show them different options they may have deemed unattainable. The mission is to promote positive values to the youth in our community by providing enjoyable learning programs.

For more information on the Shively Youth Program, contact Councilwoman Maria Johnson at 502-409-0401.

ABOUT CODE ENFORCEMENT



Code Enforcement responds to citizen complaints as fast as possible by determining if a violation has occurred, alerting the responsible party that they are in violation, and enforcing compliance through the legal process. We also investigate complaints about parking violations, abandoned vehicles, and properties that are overgrown or dangerously deteriorated.



Clean, well maintained houses, yards and streets are very effective in discouraging criminal activities. Neighborhoods that are healthy and safe tend to discourage criminal activities and neighborhood disputes.

Exterior Appearance: One of the easiest ways to violate City Code is to fail to maintain the exterior of your home. Remember that all fences and exterior structures should be kept clean and in working order. The exterior should also be painted, and repairs should be made if the paint begins to deteriorate, peel or chip. Address numbers also need must be displaying in front of the property.



CODE ENFORCEMENT FAQ'S

Question: Does the nuisance ordinance apply to my private property?

Answer: Yes. See chapter 94 of the Municipal Code, or refer to the following link http://www.amlegal.com/codes/client/shively_ky/

Question: Will the City repair the raised sidewalk in front of my home?

Answer: No. Maintaining the sidewalk and curb in good repair is the responsibility of the abutting property owner

Question: What right does a property owner have to trim a tree that belongs to a neighbor but has limbs or roots which overhang or grow onto an adjacent lot?

Answer: A property owner has the right to trim branches and roots that encroach onto their property from a tree belonging to a neighbor, but must exercise caution when trimming a tree or its roots. The following general rules apply to trimming a tree:

- The tree can only be trimmed to the property line.
- There is no right to trespass onto a neighbor's property to trim a tree unless the limbs threaten to cause immediate and irreparable harm.
- The tree cannot be cut down or otherwise destroyed to eliminate the problem. It can only be trimmed back.

Question: If the limbs of a healthy tree overhang the roof of a neighbor's property, is the owner of the tree under a duty to trim the tree back to protect the roof of the neighbor?

Answer: No, the tree owner does not have a duty to trim the tree. The adjacent landowner has the right to trim the tree back to the property line to protect his property and should exercise this right.

Question: I phoned in a complaint weeks ago. Why has nothing been done to the property?

Answer: In all cases, the responsible party (Respondent) must be provided notice that there is a problem. They must be provided with a reasonable time period in which to correct the violation(s). This notice must be sent in the mail to the landowner on record with the PVA, occasionally register mail is needed. Regardless of the type of service for the Respondent(s) in your particular case, please rest assured that your complaint is important and is being handled in an appropriate manner.

Question: My neighbor is building a fence over my property line. Is there anything the City can do?

Answer: No. Property line disputes are considered a private matter between two private property owners.

Question: The house next door has trash and debris all over the front and or back yards. Can anything be done to clean the property?

Answer: Yes. Shively City prohibits the storage of trash, debris, abandoned equipment and inoperable vehicles and/or parts on private property.

Question: I received a code warning for ruts in my yard. Can I put gravel in the ruts?

Answer: No. It's tempting to throw some soil in the ruts and plant more grass, but you leave the compacted soil underneath,

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which makes it difficult for grass to grow. Instead, repair the tire ruts in a way that improves the structure of the soil and the health of the grass. Before you fill in the rut, you need to loosen up the compacted soil in the area. For a shallow rut only a few inches deep with grass, a spading fork will do the trick. Insert the fork at a 45-degree angle along the edges of the ruts to get under the compacted soil and lift the turf so it is approximately 1 to 2 inches above the existing grade. The grass should settle to the height of the existing turf.



If you are interested in a “Lively Shively” t-shirt please contact Council Member Beverly Chester-Burton, 291-6811 or send an email to: shivelycouncil@gmail.com.

MONDAY TRASH ROUTE

	<u>Recycling</u>	<u>Yardwaste</u>	<u>Trash</u>
Good Friday	No Change	No Change	No Change
Oaks Day	No Change	No Change	No Change
Memorial Day	5/30	5/31	5/30
July 4th	7/3	7/5	7/3
Labor Day	9/5	9/6	9/5
Thanksgiving	No Change	No Change	No Change
Christmas	12/26	12/27	12/26

WEDNESDAY TRASH ROUTE

	<u>Recycling</u>	<u>Yardwaste</u>	<u>Trash</u>
Good Friday	No Change	No Change	No Change
Oaks Day	No Change	No Change	No Change
Memorial Day	5/30	5/31	6/1
July 4th	7/3	7/5	7/6
Labor Day	9/5	9/6	9/7
Thanksgiving	No Change	No Change	No Change
Christmas	12/26	12/27	12/28

THURSDAY TRASH ROUTE

	<u>Recycling</u>	<u>Yardwaste</u>	<u>Trash</u>
Good Friday	No Change	No Change	No Change
Oaks Day	No Change	No Change	No Change
Memorial Day	5/30	5/31	6/2
July 4th	7/3	7/5	7/7
Labor Day	9/5	9/6	9/8
Thanksgiving	No Change	No Change	11/24
Christmas	12/26	12/27	12/29

LARGE ITEM SCHEDULE

There is a three (3) item limit per pick up.
Set out at curb the night before.

March 3	September 1
April 7	October 6
May 12	November 3
June 2	December 1
July 7	
August 4	

LARGE ITEM SCHEDULE

There is a three (3) item limit per pick up.
Set out at curb the night before.

March 10	September 8
April 21	October 13
May 19	November 10
June 9	December 8
July 14	
August 11	

LARGE ITEM SCHEDULE

There is a three (3) item limit per pick up.
Set out at curb the night before.

March 17	September 15
April 28	October 20
May 26	November 17
June 16	December 15
July 21	
August 18	

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Shively Police Dispatch
(502) 448-6181

Crime Tip Line
(502) 930-2773

Shively Fire Department 911

Shively City Hall (502) 449-5000
Mon – Fri 8 – 4:30 pm

Shively Public Works Department
(502) 449-5010
Mon – Fri 6:30 – 3 pm

Shively Public Library
Mon. – Thurs. 10 am – 9 pm
Fri., Sat. 10 am – 5 pm
Sunday Closed
(502) 574-1730

Shively Post Office
3131 Crums Lane
Mon. – Fri. 8 am – 5 pm
Sat. 9 am – 1 pm
Sunday Closed
502-449-2657

Trash cans are available for purchase at city hall, 95 gallon cans are \$75.00, 65 gallon cans are \$50.00,
Monday - Friday, 8 am - 4:30 pm, 502-449-5000. After the purchase the cans will be delivered to your home.

2017 TRASH SCHEDULE IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS • PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (502) 449-5010
PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR – JOHN HAYWOOD – OFFICE (502) 449-4749 • Email - john.haywood@shivelyky.gov
Hours of operation – Monday – Friday 6:30 - 3

Join Shively City Councilwoman Maria Johnson
for a FREE Senior Citizen Luncheon & an Afternoon of Fun!



Fun for Seniors

Ages 60 and older

- ARTS & CRAFTS
- DOOR PRIZES
- GAMES
- GREAT FOOD
- LINE DANCING
- DJ
- FUN! FUN! FUN!
- FELLOWSHIP!

DATE

Saturday, May 27, 2017

TIME

12:00pm – 4:00pm

LOCATION

Shively Community Building
1901 Park Road

Space is limited. To reserve your spot, please call
Councilwoman Maria Johnson at 502-409-0401



ALLEY CAT NEIGHBORHOODS PROGRAM

Alley Cat Neighborhoods is a program of Alley Cat Advocates that focuses our Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) efforts in targeted Louisville zip codes. The program developed in partnership with Louisville's Metro Animal Services (MAS) and funded by a grant from PetSmart Charities is significantly reducing the intake of cats into MAS' facility (and therefore the euthanasia of those cats). In so doing, it is also demonstrating the effectiveness of targeted TNR.

Alley Cat Advocates is currently targeting all Jefferson County zip codes.

This targeted neighborhood approach has been wildly successful. In 2009, 1119 stray, unowned cats were turned into Louisville Metro Animal Services from the 40215 zip code. By 2011, this number had dropped to 550. This 51% reduction of cats occurred after only 800 spay/neuter surgeries had been performed as part of the Neighborhoods Program. We've seen consistent results as we expanded the program to other zip codes.

Do you feed stray, unowned cats? Call us at 502-634-8777.

Calendar of Events

FEBRUARY *ZUMBA Saturdays 9-10am, \$1.00, City Hall

MARCH *ZUMBA Saturdays 9-10am, \$1.00, City Hall

17th – AARP SMART DRIVERS CLASS RSVP TO Maryland Davis, 775-6184

18th – Shively Eyes On You (SEOY) Block watch meeting, 10 am, Ralph Ave. Baptist Church – This event is not Sponsored by the City of Shively.

18th – Shively Lunch and Learn Series, Date: March 18, 2017, Time: 11am - 2pm, Speaker: Sheila Carter, Heartsong Memory Care, Dementia/Alzheimer Compassionate Care Expert. Lunch is free and space is limited. Please call or email: Council Member Beverly Chester-Burton b.chesterburton@shivelyky.gov, phone#: 447-0097

APRIL *ZUMBA Saturdays 9-10am, \$1.00, City Hall

1st – Shively Annual Easter Egg Hunt, 10 am, Shively Community Building.

10th – 14th – Shred-It Event – Free to Shively residents only! - Shredding services will be performed by Docu-Confidential.

MAY *ZUMBA Saturdays 9-10am, \$1.00, City Hall

19th – AARP SMART DRIVERS CLASS RSVP TO Maryland Davis, 775-6184

JUNE *ZUMBA Saturdays 9-10am, \$1.00, City Hall

18th – Shively Eyes On You (SEOY) Block watch meeting, 10 am, Ralph Ave. Baptist Church – This event is not Sponsored by the City of Shively.

JULY *ZUMBA Saturdays 9-10am, \$1.00, City Hall

17th – AARP SMART DRIVERS CLASS RSVP TO Maryland Davis, 775-6184

20th & 27th – Norton Children's Prevention & Wellness Fruit & Boot Camp RSVP 502-629-5437

21st – MOVIE IN THE PARK – CONTACT Chester Burrell for more info 502-448-3124

22nd – Motorcycle Safety in the Park – Contact Chester Burrell for more info 502-448-3124



Spring Shredding Event – April 10th – April 14, 8am – 4pm

Shively City Hall, 3920 Dixie Hwy.

Bring in your old bills, documents or other papers you would like to dispose of safely.



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